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## AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action Summary of June 30, 2000,  
please enter the following amendments.In the Claims

Please amend claims 17, 22, 27, 37 and 47 as follows:

✓ Claim 11, line 3, delete "an" and insert -- a uniformly -- ;  
after "etched", insert -- metal -- .

✓ Claim 17, line 7, before "removed", insert -- substantially

✓ Claim 22, line 1, before "dental", insert -- metal -- ;

line 6, before "etched", insert -- uniformly -- .

✓ Claim 27, line 4, before "roughened", insert -- uniformly

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